CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1. An apparatus for reproducing audio and/or video (AV) data in an interactive mode using a markup document, comprising:
 - a reader to read the AV data;
- a memory to temporarily store the markup document corresponding to the AV data; and
- a presentation engine to present the markup document according to a document life cycle, wherein the document life cycle comprises:
 - a preloading process reading the markup document into the memory,
- a loading process interpreting the markup document and loading the markup document on a screen, and
- an interacting process facilitating an interaction between the markup document and a user.
 - 2. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:
 - a buffer memory to buffer the AV data;
 - a decoder to decode the buffered AV data; and
- a blender to blend the decoded AV data and the interpreted markup document, and to output the blended result.
- 3. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the document life cycle further comprises a terminating process terminating the presentation of the markup document.
- 4. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the document life cycle further comprises a discarding process discarding the markup document in the memory.
- 5. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in the loading, the presentation engine generates a document object tree where the markup document is valid.

- 6. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the presentation engine determines whether the markup document in valid by performing a document type definition (DTD) check.
- 7. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the presentation engine generates the document object tree according to a rule that a root node of all nodes is set to a document node, a rule that all texts and elements generate nodes, and a rule that a processing instruction, a comment, and a document type generate a node.
- 8. The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein in the loading, the presentation engine renders a node of the document object tree.
- 9. The apparatus according to claims 1, wherein in the loading, the presentation engine generates a document object tree by interpreting the markup document and renders the markup document based on the generated document object tree.
- 10. The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein in the loading, the presentation engine registers an event handler in the rendering of the markup document.
- 11. The apparatus according to claim 10, wherein after the rendering, the presentation engine monitors whether an event takes place through the event handler.
- 12. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in the loading, the presentation engine generates a document object tree by interpreting the markup document, interprets and applies the interpreted stylesheet to the generated document object tree, generates a formatting structure based on the stylesheet-applied document object tree, and renders the markup document based on the generated formatting structure.
- 13. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in the preloading, the presentation engine reads a stylesheet corresponding to the markup document into the memory.

- 14. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in the interacting, the presentation engine generates a 'load' event.
- 15. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in the interacting, the presentation engine generates an 'unload' event in response to a request to terminate the markup document loaded on the screen.
- 16. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the presentation engine performs a terminating process terminating the presentation of the markup document in response to an 'unload' event taking place during the interacting.
- 17. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the markup document is data read by the reader from an information storage medium comprising the AV data.
- 18. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the markup document is data fetched from a network.